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FILING TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing in the Patent Application of McCullough, et al.:

For: **“METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING PEER-TO-PEER BANDWIDTH BETWEEN REMOTE NETWORKS BY COMBINING MULTIPLE CONNECTIONS WHICH USE ARBITRARY DATA PATHS”**

ENCLOSURES

- ☒ 30 page application including specification, claims and abstract;
- ☒ 18 sheets (Figs.1-16) of ☒ informal/☐ formal drawings;
- ☒ A Declaration, Power of Attorney & Petition (☐ signed/☒ unsigned);
- ☒ A postcard for return to us as proof of receipt of the referenced documents.
- and**
- ☐ An Assignment of the invention with an assignment cover sheet;
- ☒ Applicant Claims Small Entity Status (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b));
- ☐ IDS (form PTO-1449) and copies of references;
- ☐ An Associate Power of Attorney;
- ☐ A certified copy of the priority documents (DE 196 47 525.2 and DE 197 12 309.0) (Under 35 USC 119);
- ☐ A Power of Attorney by Assignee;
- ☐ Other.

TYPE OF FILING

- ☐ This application claims the benefit of an earlier filed U.S. Patent Application (35 USC 120).
- ☒ This application claims the benefit of the priority date of an earlier filed provisional patent application (35 USC 119).
- ☐ This is an application filed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53, permitting receipt of a filing date upon filing of specification, claims and drawings, if required, with applicant being given a period of one month from the date of notice to file the fee and oath or declaration.
- ☒ In the event any parts of this application are missing, please treat this as a filing under 37 CFR 1.53 as defined just above.

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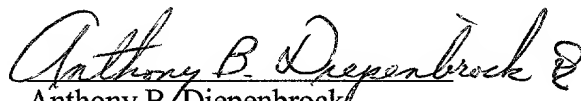
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